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Notice. Mr. Jas. Sturgis is now engaged in canvassing Cumberland County for the present and ensuing month.

Mr. S. V. Dyer will call upon subscribers in New Brunswick during the present and ensuing month.

Mr. D. V. Dyer will call upon subscribers in Washington County during the present and ensuing month.

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The Waterville Horse Show.

The exhibition of the Waterville Horse Association on Wednesday and Thursday last week was in every respect a complete success. The attendance was very large, the track in fine condition and the weather all that could be desired.

Seventy-five entries were made in the several classes, the entrance fees varying from \$1.50 to \$100 each. The show upon the grounds, although not so numerous as on the occasion of the State Horse Fair in this city, was not inferior in excellence to that or any previous similar exhibition in the State.

The event which excited the greatest interest was the expected contest between the stallions Gen. Knox, Hiram Drew and Gen. McClellan, owned respectively by Thos. S. Lang of Vassalboro', Orren M. Shaw of Bangor, and G. M. Rob. of Bangor.

It will be remembered that the Hiram Drew carried off the champion belt at the State Show in 1860, beating all competitors in the race. The time made by him then was 2:39, 2:38, 2:36. The best time of Knox was 2:44, which, but for an accident, would, no doubt, have been largely reduced. Up to the present occasion no opportunity had since occurred to test the question of speed between these rival stallions, and public expectation was on tiptoe to witness the trial.

For reasons unknown to the public, the owner of McClellan declined to enter his horse for the sweepstakes, and the contest was between Hiram Drew and Knox. The horses were in splendid condition as they appeared on the track, and the friends of each seemed confident of the success of their favorite. The magnificent proportions and powerful action of Gen. Knox were the theme of enthusiastic admiration.

He was then justified by the result of the trial. But the friends of Hiram Drew, who had never been beaten on any track in Maine, were so elated with his recent triumphs in Portland and Boston, that they offered heavy odds in his favor, and a large amount of money was staked upon the result.

The match came off on Thursday afternoon. An immense crowd upon the ground, numbering it is estimated not less than five thousand persons. The trot was to be best in 5, for a sweepstake purse of \$500—the winner to take \$300 and the second best, \$200. The premiums offered, however, were of trifling value compared with the reputations of the horses which were at stake in the contest. At 3 o'clock the horses were brought to the stand, and Knox won the pole. Hiram was driven by his owner and Knox by Mr. F. S. Palmer.

After a little preliminary warming up, the horses were started for the first heat. One false start was made, but the second time they got off together, passing the score at a tremendous pace exactly abreast. The instant the word was given, Knox ranged ahead, and when he reached the first turn was two or three lengths in advance, the space being subsequently widened on the first quarter by the Drew breaking. As they came round the last turn on the first half mile, the latter made an effort to recover the lost ground and succeeded in closing up to within a length of Knox as he passed the score in 1:14.

On the first quarter of the second half mile Knox led his again and fell behind several lengths. Knox easily retained his advantage, his driver easily keeping him in hand, and finally allowing his antagonist to come up as before. The two horses came down the home stretch neck and neck, the Drew pushing his nose up to the wheel of his rival; but when within a few rods of the stand Palmer shook out an additional kick of speed and passed the score two lengths ahead. The time, 2:32, was announced amid deafening cheers from the multitude, who had watched the progress of the heat with almost breathless attention, and whose delight at the success of their favorite, was doubtless enhanced by the overweening display of confidence indulged in by the friends of Hiram Drew—a confidence sadly misplaced, as some of those who had freely bet their money found to their cost.

The second heat was almost an exact counterpart of the first. The pace was too much for the Drew. He was repeatedly carried off his feet, always losing ground by the operation, and the two horses came down the home stretch neck and neck, the Drew pushing his nose up to the wheel of his rival; but when within a few rods of the stand Palmer shook out an additional kick of speed and passed the score two lengths ahead. The time, 2:32, was announced amid deafening cheers from the multitude, who had watched the progress of the heat with almost breathless attention, and whose delight at the success of their favorite, was doubtless enhanced by the overweening display of confidence indulged in by the friends of Hiram Drew—a confidence sadly misplaced, as some of those who had freely bet their money found to their cost.

The result of the contest was now no longer doubtful. The hero of so many victories upon the trotting turf must now resign his laurels to a younger rival, and only remained to give the coup de grace in the final heat. It was expected that better time would be made in this than in the previous heats, as it was very evident that Knox had by no means been pushed to his possible maximum of speed, and the desire was universally felt to see him do his best. Mr. Lang, in response to this desire, gave directions to his driver to let the stallion "gang his sin gait."

The horses broke in the style, Knox at once taking the lead and rapidly increasing its length by length. As usual, Hiram broke at the first quarter turn, and was badly losing headway, when, just as Knox struck into the back stretch, with the speed of a winged-horse, he suddenly shivered from his seat, breaking several spokes from his wheel, and for the time becoming nearly unmanageable. Instantly regaining control, however, Palmer brought the stallion to his feet, and almost before the spectators were aware that any thing had happened, was away again, still realizing his lagged competitor, who failed to realize any advantage from the mishap, and coming in the winner of the heat and race in 2:34.

For the unreasonable crowding of a dog upon the track, the heat would have been the best of the race. Notwithstanding this contretemps, however, no such magnificent trotting was ever before witnessed in the State of Maine, and it will probably be a long day before we shall see it surpassed or even equalled.

We wish we could devote space to the details of other interesting features of the exhibition. There were several other trotting matches during the two days, which we can only briefly notice. The stallions Ned Davis, owned by Mr. Lang, and Flying Mac owned by John Shaw of Augusta, entered for the Society's premiums in Class 14. Ned Davis won the race in three straight heats. Time, 2:51, 2:53, 2:43. A match for geldings and mares which had been trotted before Ned Davis, six entries, won by Samuel Jacobs' horse, Stonewall Jackson, in three straight heats. Time 2:45, 2:45, 2:45. Another match for geldings and mares, entered by Mr. O. M. Shaw of Bangor, in three straight heats. Time—2:40, 2:36, 2:37. The match between the two stallions Ned Davis and Diamond, the latter owned by Mr. A. Palmer, was won by the former. Time—2:50, 2:54, 2:43. One of the most notable features of the exhibition, were twenty of Gen. Knox's colts from one to three years old. Mr. Lang offered four premiums amounting to \$50, which were severally awarded to John Wier of Vassalboro', Albert Crosby of Albion, Jonathan Nowell, Vassalboro', J. H. Gilbreth, Kendall's Mills.

The conduct of the exhibition was unexceptionable throughout, and great credit is due to the Manager, Ira B. Doolittle, Esq., and his assistants, for the able and acceptable manner in which they discharged their duties. The Association has reason to congratulate themselves upon the successful inauguration of their enterprise, and we trust they will be encouraged to persevere in the work they have undertaken.

The following is a list of the entries and awards in the several classes:

Class 1. Brood mare with foal by her side—entries, 10.

Class 2. Brood mare with foal by her side—entries, 10.

Class 3. Brood mare with foal by her side—entries, 10.

Class 4. Brood mare with foal by her side—entries, 10.

Class 5. Brood mare with foal by her side—entries, 10.

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AND FAMILY NEWSPAPER

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